

A judge from out-of-county will be assigned to try a town of Campbell man who made threats against one La Crosse judge.

All of the judges in La Crosse County are recusing themselves from the case of Raymond Smith Jr., who allegedly threatened to harm Judge Ramona Gonzalez during a talk with a counselor. Smith's attorney, Kyle Davis, says it's unfair to bar his client from the courthouse or other public buildings, claiming that would make Smith a "court-ordered recluse." Judge Elliott Levine says Smith can enter county buildings, if he has a specific appointment in one of those buildings. Smith's cash bond was reduced by more than half, to 10-thousand dollars.